

## Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 39 with the following rewritten Abstract:

~~Helping users to track the contents (e.g., files)~~  
Files stored on various types of storage media can be tracked without inserting ~~requiring the user to insert~~ the storage media into a machine's read device ~~of a machine, such as a floppy drive of a personal computer, and/or helping users to locate desired content (e.g., a file) without having to insert numerous storage media into a read device of a machine.~~ The contents of a given storage medium may be determined by associating a machine-readable label with each ~~machine-readable~~ medium, and the it's contents thereof. ~~When a user wants to know the~~ The contents of the ~~machine-readable~~ medium, ~~they merely need to have~~ may be determined by another device ~~(e.g., a Palm Pilot provided with a bar code scanner)~~ ~~read~~ reading the label with another device. The device may include a database synchronized with a database managed by the machine which is used to write content to, and/or read content from, the ~~machine-readable~~ medium. A file may be found by ~~(i)~~ allowing a user to enter one or more search parameters into the device, ~~such as a handheld, untethered device,~~ ~~(ii)~~ generating a search query from the entered parameter(s), ~~(iii)~~ getting a search result(s) indicating the ~~storage~~ medium that includes the desired content, and ~~(iv)~~ helping the user to associate the indicated ~~storage~~ medium with the physical ~~storage~~ medium actually storing the desired content.